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REQUEST for CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL	Application No.	09/139,386
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	First Named Inventor	Monforte, J. A.
	Group Art Unit	1656
	Examiner	Tung, J.
	Attorney Docket No.	24736-2060

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application

1. ☒ Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

a. ☐ Previously submitted

i. ☐ Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement

iv. ☒ Other - Return Receipt Postcard

2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.

b. ☐ Other _____

3. ☒ Fees

a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayment(s), to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

i. ☒ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$830 enclosed

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (form PTO-2038 enclosed)

Signature of Applicant, Attorney or Agent Required					
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Monforte *et al.*
Serial No.: 09/139,386
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For: PRIMERS USEFUL FOR SIZING
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Art Unit: 1656
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED IN CONNECTION WITH A REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action, mailed July 31, 2001, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested. This response is filed in connection with the filing of an RCE. A supplemental Information Disclosure Statement will be filed under separate cover.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 22-87 without prejudice or disclaimer.

REMARKS

A check for \$830 for the fees for a three month extension of time (\$460) and for filing of an RCE (\$370) accompanies this response. Any fees that may be due in connection with this application may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. If a Petition for extension of time is needed, this paper is to be considered such Petition.

Claims 1-21 are pending in this application. Claims 22-87, which are drawn to non-elected subject matter, are cancelled herein. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications to the subject matter of the cancelled claims. No amendments to the claims have been made to alter the scope of the claims nor to avoid any art of record.

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